



THE PARKS REPORT

A Monthly Summary of Birmingham's System of Parks & Recreation Facilities



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Photo courtesy: Birmingham Park and Recreation

Several dozen residents recently participated in a tournament at Crestwood Park on regulation tennis courts re-sized to accommodate pickleball play.

“Eight hours work, eight hours sleep, and eight hours recreation.”

—Brigham Young

Served With a Side of Pickleball

A cross between badminton and tennis, the paddleball sport of pickleball is growing in popularity throughout the Birmingham metropolitan area. Players of all ages and levels of skill are flocking to modified tennis courts at public parks for large tournaments and play amongst friends.

Pickleball started in 1965 as a children’s backyard game when three friends found their families bored one Saturday afternoon. The popularity of the game spread within recreation centers, physical education classes and retirement communities.

You can learn the game of pickleball with certified teachers at the George Ward Tennis Center, 331 16th Avenue South. Call 205-527-9240.



Kelly Ingram Park

September Revenue Totaled \$28,528.62

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#OpenForPlay #GetOutside

Reserve a Birmingham Park and Recreation facility or park for your event by calling 205-254-2556, M-F, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. You may reserve space at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens by calling 205-414-3900.

VENUE:

SEPTEMBER REVENUE:

Botanical Gardens	\$10,378.62
Recreation + Sports Facilities	\$11,950.00
Open Park Reservations	\$6,200.00



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The Best of Friends

Francesca Gross, environmental specialist at CAWACO RC&D Council, knows trees and plants them in the public areas we enjoy most: parks and greenspaces. We all have greatly benefitted from Francesca’s passion for urban forestry; after all, she has been keeping Birmingham in the shade for more than 25 years.

The Best of Friends celebrates ordinary citizens who make extraordinary contributions to the parks system.



UPCOMING @ LEGION FIELD

- 10/15 - Ramsay v Fairfield, 7pm
- 10/30 - The Magic City Classic, 2:30pm

All times CT. Subject to change.

Parks Maintenance Report

FYI: The Parks Maintenance Crew removed 1,165 bags of litter from parks during the month of September, and disposed of 8,915 tons of debris in the landfill.



LOOKING FOR PLAY & FITNESS? CALL A REC CENTER:

BROWNSVILLE HEIGHTS.....	205-841-2520
CENTRAL PARK.....	205-923-6747
EAST PINSON VALLEY.....	205-297-8102
ENSLEY.....	205-786-3711
FOUNTAIN HEIGHTS.....	205-322-1233
HARRIMAN.....	205-841-6939
HARRISON.....	205-925-9064
HAWKINS.....	205-836-1661
HENRY CRUMPTON.....	205-925-9994
HOOPER CITY.....	205-324-1302
HOWZE-SANFORD.....	205-798-6684
INGLENOOK.....	205-841-6634
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.....	205-591-3716
MCALPINE.....	205-788-1382
MEMORIAL.....	205-731-2075
NORTH BIRMINGHAM.....	205-322-5251
OXMOOR.....	205-254-2301
ROOSEVELT CITY.....	205-425-1531
SANDUSKY-HUDSON.....	205-798-2091
WIGGINS.....	205-923-5922
WILLOW WOOD.....	205-591-1798



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Get Fit While You Sit to the pulsating beats of DJ Maestro at One Pratt Park, 709 Dugan Avenue, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Sponsorship by District 60 State Representative Juandalynn Givan means this activity is free.